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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: RH, UK, PDEV

SUBJECT: RHODESIA: INFORMING FRONT LINE AND PF OF PRETORIA  
AND SALISBURY TALKS

REF: STATE 101529

1. FOR LONDON: DEPT AND UK EMBASSY, WASHINGTON HAVE  
REACHED PROVISIONAL AGREEMENT ON THE TALKING POINTS TO BE  
USED IN APPROACHES TO FRONT LINE AND PF OUTLINED IN REFTTEL.  
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PLEASE NOTE THAT DEPT AND UK EMBASSY HAVE AGREED TO OMIT  
THE FOLLOWING ADDITION TO TALKING POINT F WHICH WAS  
SUGGESTED BY FCO: "THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS FOR RECOGNITION  
OF A SETTLEMENT ARE A MANIFESTLY FAIR TEST OF OPINION AND  
A GENUINE TRANSFER OF POWER." IF FCO MAINTAINS ITS  
COMMITMENT TO THE INCLUSION OF THIS SENTENCE, PLEASE REFER  
MATTER BACK TO THE DEPT. IF FCO CONFIRMS BRITISH ACCEPT-

ANCE OF THE TALKING POINTS AS AMENDED BELOW, PLEASE INFORM  
OTHER ADDRESSEES BY IMMEDIATE CABLE.

2. FOR GABORONE, LAGOS, LUSAKA, MAPUTO, DAR ES SALAAM:  
ONCE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FCO APPROVAL IS RECEIVED, YOU SHOULD  
CONCERT WITH YOUR BRITISH COLLEAGUE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS  
FOR JOINT APPROACH TO HOST GOVERNMENT. AS STATED REFTEL,  
WE SEE THIS APPROACH TAKING PLACE AT FOREIGN MINISTER OR  
APPROPRIATE LOWER LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT.

3. FOLLOWING ARE AMENDMENTS TO THE TALKING POINTS (REFTEL)  
PROVISIONALLY AGREED TO:

TALKING POINT C: LAST WORD OF FIRST SENTENCE SHOULD BE  
"TALKS" RATHER THAN "CONFERENCE."

TALKING POINT D: FIRST SENTENCE SHOULD READ "IN SALISBURY,  
THE SECRETARIES MET WITH THE SALISBURY PARTIES AND  
URGED THE MEMBERS TO GIVE FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION TO  
ATTENDANCE AT A ROUND TABLE MEETING." REST OF TALKING  
POINT D REMAINS UNCHANGED.

TALKING POINT F: NOW READS "DR. OWEN AND SECRETARY VANCE  
SAID THAT THE US AND UK COULD NOT ENDORSE THE INTERNAL  
AGREEMENT, THAT WE FAVOR NO NATIONALIST PARTY OVER ANOTHER,  
AND THAT IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE MAINTAIN AN ATTITUDE  
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THAT WOULD ENABLE US TO CONTINUE TO PLAY A ROLE IN BRING-  
ING ALL PARTIES TOGETHER.

TALKING POINT I: ADD, AS FINAL SENTENCE. "IT IS OUR  
HOPE THAT IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO HOLD A ROUND TABLE  
MEETING IN MAY." VANCE

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